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Submitted herewith is a copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 dated May 9, 2007, together with a declaration and power of attorney signed by the inventor. It is now believed that the application should be ready for normal processing. In the event any additional information is required, please contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number shown below.

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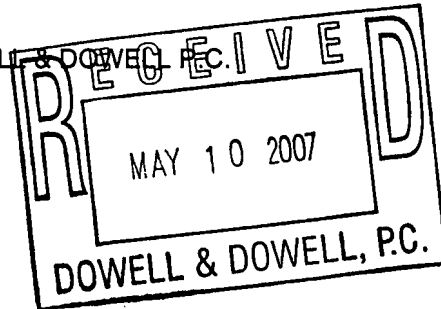
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